**November 2, 2018** 

**Ald. Cavalier Johnson** (414) 286-3777

## Voter participation news conference takes place Saturday

Alderman Cavalier Johnson will be joined by Mayor Tom Barrett and Neil Albrecht, executive director of the Milwaukee Election Commission, during a news conference <a href="TOMORROW">TOMORROW</a> – Saturday, November 3 at Midtown Center to encourage Milwaukee voter participation.

In 2016, voter turnout was down in most counties throughout the state, but particularly in Milwaukee County, where nearly 60,000 fewer votes were cast in that year than in 2012.

"Earlier I challenged Midtown to beat out other early voting spots in the City of Milwaukee," said Alderman Johnson. "Of the eight early voting locations in Milwaukee, Midtown accounts for nearly 10,000 of the 27,000 total votes cast to date! I want to continue this momentum of voter turnout not just in my district but city-wide."

During the 2014 mid-term, early voting only accounted for 15,300 total votes, according to the Milwaukee Election Commission.

According to state law, voter registration activity ends today (Friday, November 2) at 7 p.m. and does not resume until Election Day. Subsequently, a resident can vote but cannot register to vote over the weekend. More information can be found at **milwaukee.gov/election**.

What: Voting participation press event

Where: Midtown Center, 5700 W. Capitol Dr.

(enter lot from 58th & Capitol, west of Pick 'n Save)

When: Saturday, November 3 at 11 a.m.